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June 23, 2000

Melvin Malone  
Director  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, TN 37243-0505

RE: Appeals Review of Lynnwood Utility Rate Increase

Dear Sir:

As a long time resident of Cottonwood Subdivision I must protest strongly against the onerous rate increase you granted to Lynnwood Utility.

The city of Franklin has two sewer rates – one inside the city limits and one outside the city limits. Since we are outside the city limits it would only be right to compare our rate to that. The rate you approved is 170% above the Franklin rate. I am now paying 3 times what I was before you granted this increase.

There is no break out or allowance for non-sewer water used for irrigation or car washing, etc. Lynnwood says have another meter installed for this purpose. That is not an option when H.B. & T.S. Utility (our water provider) charges a \$1,500 tap fee to set a meter and then the expense of a plumber to make the connection makes it an unreasonable option.

The package plant that we have was bought for only one purpose and that was so the developer could build Legends Ridge and River Landing subdivisions. When these two subdivisions were being designed Cottonwood residents were told that our rates would not be changed and that the two new subdivisions would support the additional capacity required to be added. The Cottonwood residents were not kept informed and the rate request was slipped in without anyone being notified. I feel that Lynnwood Utility has not been truthful and up front with their plans. Cottonwood residents should not be made to pay for the capacity increases that we did not need. Our sewer system was adequate for our needs. I think the Cottonwood residents should be allowed to go back to the system where our sewer rate was based on the number of bedrooms in each house.

Please do not allow this rate increase to stand. If you do allow it you are forcing Cottonwood to pay for increases to our system that we do not derive any benefit from.

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Our system is private and it was ripped off from us to benefit another party. That is not fair.

Please do what is right and roll back this rate request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William H. Carothers". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

William H. Carothers